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H. RES. 53

Congratulating Ichiro Suzuki for breaking the Major League Baseball record for hits in a single season.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

January 26, 2005

Mr. McDermott (for himself, Mr. Inslee, Mr. Larsen of Washington, Mr. Dicks, Mr. Smith of Washington, Miss McMorris, Mr. Hastings of Washington, and Mr. Baird) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Government Reform

RESOLUTION

Congratulating Ichiro Suzuki for breaking the Major League Baseball record for hits in a single season.

- Whereas on Friday, October 1, 2004, right fielder Ichiro Suzuki of the Seattle Mariners got his 258th hit of the 2004 season, thereby breaking the Major League Baseball record for hits in a single season;
- Whereas Ichiro Suzuki's 262 hits in a single season breaks the 84-year old record of 257, set by George Sisler in 1920;
- Whereas Ichiro Suzuki's 225 singles in a single season breaks the 106-year old record of 206, set by "Wee" Willie Keeler in 1898;

Whereas in 2004 Ichiro Suzuki won his second American League batting title in four years;

Whereas Ichiro Suzuki's batting average of .372 during the 2004 season was the highest single-season batting average ever for a Seattle Mariner; and

Whereas no other player in the history of Major League Baseball has as many hits in the first four years of his career as Ichiro Suzuki: Now, therefore, be it

- 1 Resolved, That the House of Representatives—
- (1) congratulates Ichiro Suzuki for breaking the
 Major League Baseball record for hits in a single
 season and recognizes his historic achievements;
 - (2) requests that the President recognize the accomplishments of Ichiro Suzuki; and
 - (3) directs the Clerk of the House of Representatives to make available enrolled copies of this resolution to Ichiro Suzuki for appropriate display and to transmit an enrolled copy of this resolution to the owner of the Seattle Mariners, the Commissioner of Baseball, and the President of the National Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum.

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